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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH PRESIDENT BALAGUER: PROBLEMS OF US OIL
DISTRIBUTING COMPANIES

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1. FOR DEPARTMENT'S BACKGROUND, TEXACO, ESSO AND ARCO (AS WELL AS SHELL) DISTRIBUTE GASOLINE IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. A NUMBER OF THEIR CUSTOMERS ARE GODR ENTITIES. COMBINED, THEY ARE OWED NEARLY TWO MILLION PESOS IN UNPAID BILLS BY THESE ENTITIES. WHEN BALAGUER INCREASED TAXES ON GASOLINE, HE DETERMINED THAT A PERCENTAGE OF THE INCREASE GO INTO A SPECIAL FUND TO PAY OFF THESE DEBTS. ACCORDING TO THE OIL COMPANIES, THEY HAVE RECEIVED SUBSTANTIAL SUMS FROM THE FUND BUT NONE SINCE THE END OF 1975. THEY ASKED ME TO BRING THIS MATTER TO THE PRESIDENT'S ATTENTION.

2. DURING THE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT BALAGUER DESCRIBED REFTTEL, I RAISED THIS QUESTION. BALAGUER LOOKED SURPRISED AND SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN ASSURED THAT THERE WERE NO OUTSTANDING DEBTS OF THIS NATURE OWED BY GODR ENTITIES (CORDE, WHICH OWES A CONSIDERABLE PORTION OF THE DEBT, HE REGARDS AS AN AUTONOMOUS AGENCY FOR WHICH HE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE). I PROVIDED HIM WITH A DETAILED LIST

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OF THE DEBTS AND HE SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO IT.
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